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# Local Teacher Will Bike 100 Miles in "Century Ride" for Leukemia Society



Silella Stasak

By Kristi Stephens

Seeking sponsors for her upcoming 100-mile bicycle ride to benefit the Leukemia Society of America is Sheila Stasak of New Boston. As one of eight members of a local-area Century Ride "Teamin Training," Stasak plans to travel to Lake Tahoe, Nevada, this summer to participate in the Society's annual fundraiser, set for June 6.

Team in Training, or TNT, is a program which was begun in 1988 by New York City Marathon participant Bruce Cleland, whose daughter Georgia was battling acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL). In their search for new ways to generate money for leukemia research, Cleland and 42 of his friends formed the first Team in Training, using their marathon to raise \$320,000 that first year.

Since then, the event has grown in leaps and bounds. In 1998, 14,000 TNT members either walked or ran a 26.2-mile marathon, cycled 100 miles, or inline skated 38 miles to raise \$50 million.

Stasak first heard of the Century Ride when she received a pledge card from TNT member Cindy Quasarano, whose son is on the Huron High School varsity basketball team with Stasak's oldest son. As she learned more about the program, it didn't take her long to decide that she would like to become a participant herself.

"I live only two miles from Barth, so I've made it a practice to ride my bike to work whenever the weather permits," said Stasak, who has been a teacher in the Romulus Community Schools for the past 23 years. "Although I've never

ridden a distance of 100 miles before, I'm confident that I'll be able to complete the event due to the training that I'm currently undergoing."

Besides extensive practice on her bicycle and stationary bike, Stasak's training includes "spin classes" conducted by the Leukemia Society. These classes teach cyclists a variety of skills, including riding strategies and basic bike mechanics/repair. As the weather improves, Stasak and her teammates will participate in a number of 20- to 25-mile group rides, some of which will be staged in hilly locales in an attempt to simulate the terrain near Lake Tahoe.

TNT members complete their events in honor or in memory of a patient with leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, or myeloma, and Stasak's group is no exception. Through the Leukemia Society of America, she and her teammates were introduced to Monica Gambill, a 19-year-old student at Monroe Community College.

Gambill, a resident of Carleton, was diagnosed with ALL when she was a 16-year-old high-school junior. At the time, her family believed that she was suffering from something relatively minor, since the disease first manifested itself

in flu-like symptoms and dehydration. In April 1998, after two-and-a-half years of often-torturous treatments, Gambill received what proved to be the last of them. She looks forward to celebrating her one-year anniversary this spring. When five years have passed, she will be considered cured.

Since Romulus Community Schools is dedicated to the idea of service-learning, it's not surprising that many of the district's staff members and students have chosen to become involved in Stasak's drive to benefit the Leukemia Society. For instance, the students in Liza Mockeridge's class at Romulus Middle School plan to use a portion of their profits from the school store to make a donation, and members of Barth School's Parents That Care group are organizing a "dollar-bill-and-loose-coin" drive for the same purpose.

To fulfill her fund-raising commitment, Stasak needs to raise nearly \$4,000 by the end of March. If you would like to help her meet this worthy goal, please send your contribution, in the form of a check made payable to the Leukemia Society of America, to: Sheila Stasak, P.O. Box 74086, Romulus, Michigan 48174.

# Mayor's Substance Abuse Task Force Offers \$1,000 Scholarships

The Mayor's Substance Abuse Task Force Committee has established two \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to individuals who are beginning or continuing their education in a secondary or trade school. The money can be used for tuition, fees, books, or any other materials directly related to course requirements.

One of the scholarships will be awarded to an individual who has been active in community service; the other to someone who intends to pursue some type of vocational-education career.

Applicants must be a senior in high school, a student in the alternative educational program, a college student, or an older adult returning to school or continuing his or her postgraduate studies. Applicants may

apply for the upcoming year and additional years of studies. Each year, the applications will be reviewed to determine if the applicants meet the established criteria.

Scholarship applications are available in Mayor William M. Oakley's office at Romulus City Hall, as well as at the following locations: Romulus High School, John Glenn High School, Wayne Memorial High School, Woodhaven High School, Gabriel Richard High School, and Aguinas High School.

Applications must be submitted to the Mayor's office by March 15 to be reviewed by the Task Force's Scholarship Committee.

Oral interviews will be conducted by the Task Force Subcommittee at a later date.

# Timely Tidbits ... RHS Students Enter VICA Competition

Larry Lindenmuth, a student at Romulus High School, placed third in the "brakes" category at the recent Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) competition, held at Washtenaw Community College. He now moves up to the State level.

Robert McLain, auto lab instructor, took a total of six students to the VICA competition. The other five were:

- · Eric Staten (brakes),
- David Bullock and Eric Renner (electrical/electronics), and
- Robert Druyor and Jason Nichols (general service).

#### Chili Cookoff, Euchre Tourney Winners

Congratulations to both Paula Smith and Peggy Staten, who won first-place honors in the Romulus High School Alumni Association's annual Chili Cookoff, held Saturday, February 20.

Smith – who gets plenty of practice making chili each fall, when she prepares "walk-around chili" for the Alumni Association members who attend Homecoming – entered her secret recipe in the "mild" division, while Staten – who prepared her recipe using all home-canned ingredients – took the prize in the "hot" division.

Congratulations are also in order for Duwayne Parker, who won the Euchre Tournament the same evening.

#### Change of Date for City Council Meeting

Because a number of Romulus City Council members plan to be out of town on Monday, March 8, to attend the National League of Cities Conference (set for March 5–9), the Council meeting that would normally have been held on that date has been changed to Wednesday, March 10.

# Police Beat

#### Three Stores Fail Tobacco "Sting"

On Friday, February 19, members of the Romulus Police Department's Community Neighborhood Services Unit conducted an undercover operation in response to complaints about minors purchasing tobacco products. When an under-aged police contact was sent into 35 different establishments within the City to attempt to purchase tobacco products, the minor was able to buy a pack of cigarettes in only three of the targeted locations. Virtually every party store and gas station in the City was targeted.

Lieutenant James Rafalski was pleased to see that less than 10% of the stores contacted had violated the law. The only violations were at the Citgo Gas Station at 29240 Ecorse Road, the Total Gas Station at 7084 Wayne Road, and the Super Y Party Store at 7130 Middlebelt Road. According to Rafalski, contact will be made with the store owners/managers to make them aware of the violations.

"Many of the clerks asked for identification, and did not sell the products to the contact because they were underage," said Sergeant Cora Semrau. "We hope that what we saw was the result of business owners teaching their employees and clerks about the importance of the law."

The three clerks who sold the cigarettes were issued a misdemeanor ordinance violation that could result in a penalty of 30 days in jail and/or fines up to \$50.

In January, the Department was awarded an \$8,000 grant from the Office of Highway Safety Planning, enabling the Romulus Police Department to expand this program. Undercover officers will be placed in various stores, where they will pose as clerks, in an effort to target persons attempting to illegally purchase items such as tobacco, alcohol, and pornographic materials.

"We will continue to actively employ these sting operations to target violators," said Rafalski. "The future stings will focus on materials that shouldn't be made available to minors. We certainly hope that all the businesses within our city will continue to abide by these laws."

#### RPD Seeks Assistance in Hit-andrun Accident Investigation

Officers from the Romulus Police Department are investigating a hit-andrun accident that has left a 36-year-old Belleville man seriously injured.

At about 8 p.m. on Friday, February 5, officers were dispatched to the area of Ecorse Road near Henry Ruff after receiving a report about a pedestrian

being struck by a motor vehicle. Officers found that Scott Allen Rhea – who had a disabled vehicle and was apparently attempting to flag down other vehicles for assistance – had been struck by an eastbound vehicle on Ecorse Road east of Henry Ruff. The impact severed Rhea's right leg at the knee. The driver of the other vehicle did not stop at the scene.

The evidence has led police to believe that the striking vehicle is a light blue 1985–1987 Lincoln Towne Car. The vehicle should have damage to the passenger-side front fender or door area. The passenger door mirror also was broken off as a result of the collision. Anyone with information about this vehicle should contact Officer Cliff West of the Romulus Police Department's Traffic Bureau at 734-941-8400.

Rhea was transported to Annapolis Hospital and then transferred to the University of Michigan Hospital, where he is currently being treated for his injuries.

#### RPD Investigates Fatal One-car Crash

The Romulus Police Department Traffic Investigation Team is investigating a fatal traffic crash that occurred on northbound Hannan Road near Tyler at 1:36 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17. A green 1998 Plymouth Voyager that was being driven by the victim, Richard Earl Brown, age 74, of Canton Township, left the roadway and struck a tree. Police are still trying to determine what caused Brown's vehicle to drive off the roadway.

The force of the crash pinned Brown into the vehicle. The Romulus Fire Department responded, and had to utilize the Jaws of Life to extricate the victim. Community Emergency Services had also been dispatched to the scene. Due to the severity of the injuries and the time needed to remove Brown from his vehicle, it was determined that the Life Flight Helicopter from the University of Michigan Hospital should respond to the scene. In spite of the efforts of all the medical personnel from U of M and CEMS, Brown died at the scene.

The Wayne County Medical Examiners Office is conducting an autopsy to determine the exact cause of death. Investigators are hoping that the results may shed some light as to why the driver's vehicle left the roadway as it did.

Anyone who may have witnessed the crash should contact Officer Cliff West of the Romulus Police Traffic Investigation Team at 734-941-8400.

This is the first fatal traffic crash in Romulus in 1999.



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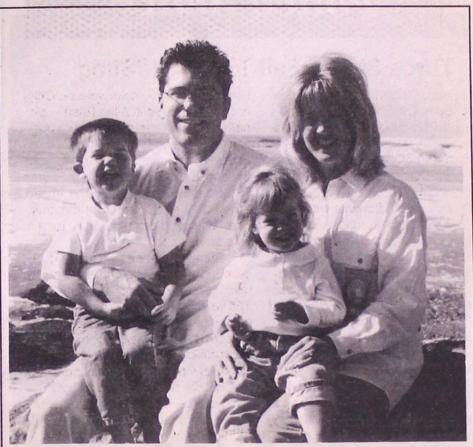
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# "The Romulus Connection"



A former Romulus resident, Steven Rodd is now living in France with his wife Laurel, his son Nathanael (age four), and his daughter Alexandra (age two). Rodd is just one of several former and current Romulus High School students who has made the Romulus-France connection.

Have you ever dreamed of living in an exotic, faraway place? For many people in our home town, that dream has come true. A number of former and current Romulus High School students - all of whom took foreign language classes as part of their studies - have taken up residence in the land known for its technology and medical research, as well as its wine, cheese, perfumes, and fashion industry.

In fact, there's a strong connection between Romulus and France.

The veteran of all these Romulus natives is Steven Rodd, whose parents still reside here. After graduating from Romulus High School in 1986, Rodd went on to college, and eventually spent his junior year studying in France. There, he met Lauren, whom he later married. Until recently, the couple and their two children were in Rennes (in the north), but they have since moved on because Rodd - a part of Campus Crusade for Christ - is now working at the University in Aix-en-Provence (in the south).

Since last summer, Cassandra Tasky (RHS Class of 1995) - whose family also lives in Romulus, and whose brother still attends the High School has been staying in France, where she met the (French)man of her dreams. She plans to continue her education at Paris University.

The youngest local resident to be living in France is high-school junior Theresa Genaw, who is spending the year in the Brittany region as a foreign exchange student. Genaw e-mails and writes regularly to friends and family, as well as to current foreign-language students in Romulus schools.

The most recent Romulus native to depart for France is Kim Mientkiewicz (RHS Class of 1996), who is now majoring in the language she first studied in high school. This semester, she is taking classes in the beautiful town of Besancon, not far from Strasbourg near the French/German border.

Romance was in the air when still another Romulus resident decided to surprise his girlfriend with a "mystery trip" over the Thanksgiving weekend last year. Renée Rumsley of Romulus who was kept in the dark until the last minute - suddenly found herself in Paris, under the Eiffel Tower, where boyfriend Robb Thompson (RHS Class of 1993) proposed to her. Thompson grew to love France during his former student days there, and considers it his home away from home. It was only natural, he said, that he would want to propose to his future wife there. Currently, Thompson is employed at a French company located in Novi.

The Romulus-France Connection is a perfect example of how some of Romulus High School's foreign-language students are enriching their lives through the pursuit of new experiences in travel, language, and culture. With typical panache (a touch of class), they're expanding their horizons as they work to achieve higher goals. Q

# Dance Brings Moms & Sons Together



Vonda Cooley and her sons, Derris and Derrian, were among 150 people who attended the Recreation Department's Mother-Son Dance on February 10. Everyone enjoyed the event, which featured the music of DJ Willie Hester. A big thanks to volunteers Tereatha Allen, Sylvia Dubisky, Evelyn Koerber, Karen Kusibab, Jackie Pregler, Vi Willoughby, & Betty Lenossi.

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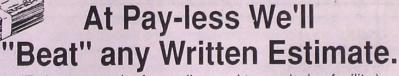
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# Multi-cultural Month Draws to a Close at Merriman School

A month-long celebration of cultural diversity has drawn to a close at Merriman Elementary.

Kicking off a series of Black History Month activities was the Michigan Department of Civil Rights' special presentation of the book, *Dear Doctor King*, to the school.

Other activities conducted during the month included:

- a presentation of the play, A Time To Walk, by Yvette Austin's sixth-grade class
- biographical sketches of famous African Americans,
- research into the role played by African American Michiganders,
- a study of China, Spain, Mexico, Japan, Australia, and South America's rain forests, and

 a variety of student presentations, bulletin-board displays, and computer-assisted research programs.

Teachers worked hard to expose all the students to information regarding the culture and contributions of African Americans and other people from around the world.

Merriman wound up its celebration on February 24 with a special afterschool program. The aroma of dishes from various cultures filled the hallways, as did numerous student pictures and displays related to cultural diversity.

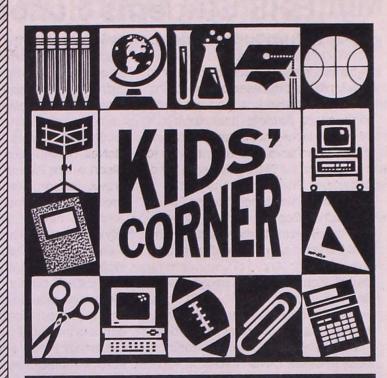
Everyone in attendance enjoyed the food and the exhibits, and the school's Multi-cultural Committee, Parents That Care group, and Positive Discipline Committee hope to make this an annual event for Merriman.



Among the numerous cultures that were explored was that of China.



Many displays featured information about African American culture.





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#### Saint Patrick's Day Puzzler Listed below are words and phrases associated with-Saint Patrick's Day. How many can you find and circle in the scrambled letter puzzle? The words go horizontally and vertically, backwards and forwards. GREEN SHAMROCK CELEBRATE IRISH LEPRECHAUN CLOVER

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**IRELAND** 

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#### Luck O' The Irish Scramble

Are you an expert on the Irish? Unscramble the words to complete the sentences below.

1. Irish eyes are GSIMLNI

2. HEGNLIS and ALGIEC are Ireland's two primary languages.

The national emblem of Ireland. ASKHMORC

4. This musical instrument is very popular in Ireland. SABPGPIE

5. The football team at the university of Notre Dame is known as the HFGNITGI RISHI

6. ECROND EBEF and EBABCGA is a typical Irish meal.

4. Bagpipes 5. Fighting Irish 6. Corned beef and cabbage 1. Smiling 2. English and Gaelic 3. Shannock **Answers** 

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SAINT PATRICK'S DAY IS CELEBRATED IN MANY UNIQUE WAYS. ONE OF THE MORE UNUSUAL OCCURS IN O'NEIL, NEBRASKA. EVERY YEAR THE CIT-IZENS OF THIS TOWN PAINT A HUGE SHAM-ROCK ON THE MAIN HIGHWAY. THIS ARTISTIC WONDER, **MEASURING 80** FEET IN DIAMETER, IS THE LARGEST SHAMROCK KNOWN.

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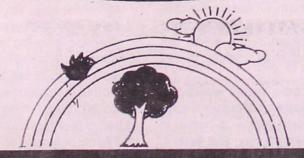
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# **RHS Students Honored**

Romulus High School teachers selected a total of 105 students to receive December's and January's "Student of the Month" award based on the youths' exceptional behavioral and academic performance. Students attending a brief ceremony in their honor received a certificate of achievement and, thanks to local sponsors, a \$50 U.S. savings bond. December Students of the Month

Tommie Alexander, Christa Anderson, Michael Boomer, Christina Bouquenoy, Tara Brown, Matthew Carter, Harrison Carter, Tracy Coak, David Cox, D'Aun Dawson, Andrea Deline, Jennifer DeWitt, Kendal Duncan, Jaclyn Evans, Garett Eves, Aimee Fisher, Christina Foster, Shannon Guarino, Alec Hance, Jennell Harper, Jeremy Hendricks, Shannon Herauf, Jennifer Hoffman, Deana Hunter, Devon Jackson, Jarvis Jordan, Amber Keely, Tracy LaFehr, Ruby Lee, Derrick Lewis, Rebecca Lloyd, Nicole Miela, Candis Miller, Audrey Mullen, Sean Mullins, Timothy Parker, Anthony Patierno, Travis Person, Derek Plave, Steven Polack, Keith Polk, Adzira Rakic, Ryan Romak, Emily Schulz, Jannetta Sewell, Melissa Smallwood, Vicki Stevens, LaKisha Talley, Kevin Thomas (Athlete), Joshua Turner, Ashley Wesson, Megan Wilson, and Heather Wright.

#### January Students of the Month

Stacy Baas, Sarah Bent, Brian Bishop, Chantel Blauvelt, Angela Bowdler, Tara Brown, Wanakee Burke, Ebitari Burutolu, Elizabeth Caburet, Thais Carter, Harrison Carter, Jerry Clark, Rachel Davis, Crystal Davidson, Cassandra

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RHS Assistant Principal Melvin Kimbrough would like to thank the following sponsors for being the school's partners in education for the months of December and January: Airline Parking; Aztec Manufacturing Corp.; C & C Trailer Service; Chem Central; Daily Restaurant; Dale Kennedy & Sons; Downriver Pest; Elkins Machine & Tool; Environ, Inc.; Form Flow, Inc.; Gandol; GM Powertrain; Graduate Services; Header Products; Rhonda Hennessy, D.D.S.; Highway Maintenance; Kiwanis Club of Michigan; Lear Seating Corp.; Art & Eva McDonald: Precision Hardware; Romulus Community Schools staff (Dr. William M. Bedell, Marjorie Fraley, Henry James, Don Kobane, Dr. Samuel La Monica, and Maryann Tyrchniewicz); Romulus Flowers; Romulus Progressive Club; Kundan Sata, D.D.S.; Saw & Specialty Corporation; Stears True Value Hardware; Total Petroleum, Inc.; Trans-Overseas Corporation; and United Brass Manufacturers.

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# **Grease Comes to Romulus**

They'll be shakin' at the hop March 25–27, when students at Romulus High School will present the 1950s musical *Grease*. Tickets for the 7 p.m. performances will be \$6 for adults; \$4 for senior citizens; and \$3 for students (free admission for ages five and under).

Altogether, 50 students are involved with the play, either as actors or technical crew. Several teachers will be involved, as well: Henry James will direct the pit band and play guitar; Gail Coleman will portray Mrs. Lynch, the teacher; and Jason Khaler will "spin the wax" as the DJ, Vince Fontain.

Directing the production will be Kathi Bush, who also directed the school's productions of *Pippin* and *The Wiz*.

Bush and High School choirteacher Judith Thompson-Barthwell are asking local residents to search their homes for any of the following items, which are needed for the play: circa-1950 radio and/or box-type record player, vanity dresser, makeup case, sequin eyeglasses, old-fashioned telephone, '50s-type sofa and table, cafeteria-style counter stools, baton, tire iron, "virgin" pin, foam-rubber dice, old Coke bottle, baseball bat, rubber-band gun, car antenna, picnic hamper, wallet with long picture folder, clothes tree, poodle skirts and '50s-style prom dresses, and a '50s-era junker car.

If you would like to lend the High School one or more of the above items, purchase a sponsorship ad in the production's official program, or otherwise volunteer your services, contact Barthwell at 734-941-2170, ext. 503.



Practicing "It's Raining On Prom Night" are (left to right) Leah Cotham, Sarah Weinschenk, Amy Hudson, Vicki Stevens, RHS choir teacher Judith Thompson-Barthwell, and Amy Bowman.

#### Grants Fund Extra Science/Math

Patricia Adams, veteran Romulus teacher with extensive science experience, has been appointed to the position of Elementary Science Coordinator for the 1998–1999 school year. Funding for the position is being provided through an Eisenhower Math/Science Grant.

To date, Adams has:

- directed several grade-level staff in-services,
- taught science investigations in classrooms,
- assisted individual teachers with lesson-planning,
- overseen the sixth-grade eMate computer program,
- monitored the ECA Educational Services science-kit rental program, and
- provided supportive materials for fifth-grade Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) preparation.

Because many of the elementary teachers are newly hired, Adams has distributed packets of ideas, activities, and other science-related materials to each of the district's approximately 80 elementary teachers. In addition to being instructionally appropriate, these 25 assigned gradelevel unit packets have been coded and correlated to Michigan's science objectives and benchmarks.

Adams' future goals include:

- creating unit assessments with teachers to evaluate and improve hands-on usage of science kits to organize and establish science fairs in each elementary school; and
- pursuing additional financing, via grant funds, for the continued improvement of science education in Romulus.

Jeffery Royal, Barth Elementary School Principal and Elementary Math Coordinator, recently received news that Romulus was awarded a \$44,000 Goals 2000 Math Grant for the 1999–2000 school year.

Funds will be used to support the development of curriculum assessment, articulation, and professional development. 

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## **Schools Emphasize Service Learning**

The fundamental goals of the Romulus Community Schools' curriculum and instructional program state that students will be:

- · self-directed learners.
- effective communicators,
- · collaborative team-members,
- · problem-solvers,
- · perceptive thinkers, and
- respectful of self, others, and the environment.

In helping their students work toward these goals, many teachers incorporate service-learning into their lesson plans. One such teacher is Yvette Austin, a sixth-grade teacher at Merriman Elementary School who has chosen to work with Kathy Hurst, the district's Service-learning Coordinator, to integrate service-learning into a unit about Mexico. During one part of the lesson, which dealt with the country's economic conditions, the concept of scarcity was introduced.

"I have a problem, and I'll need your help solving it," said Hurst. "How many of you would like a cookie?"

All the students raised their hands.
"You see," Hurst continued, "this is
the problem. The store I stopped at this
morning had only 18 cookies, so I don't
have enough for everybody to have
one. Here in Room 17, we have a condition known as scarcity. There is not a
scarcity of cookies in the world, but
there is a scarcity of cookies in this

classroom."

Later, students began working in squads, brainstorming about what scarcities exist in their lives - at home, in school, in the community, and even in Mexico. They worked collaboratively to create decision-making models that will eventually lead to developing a Mexican village marketplace - right in their classroom - based on economic concepts such as the scarcity of natural resources. Students will use the decision-making models to identify a community need, look at options for assisting with that need, select the type of service that they will do, and implement the service-learning project.

Students learning while helping others in their community is what service-learning is all about.

Imagine further. . . .

- Romulus High School students in an auto technology course, facilitated by Bob McClain, are using their new knowledge to assist local senior citizens.
- High School students learning about money management blended textbook lessons with "manipulatives," using money they collected through a spare-change drive to comparison-shop for groceries and then pack food baskets for needy local residents.
- While learning about plants in science, students in the classrooms of Cory Elementary School teachers Tanya Cristini and Carmyn Walker helped the Romulus Goodfellows by hosting a "Souper Night" fund-raiser.
- High School students studying biomes shared their knowledge with elementary students learning about the same subject. "I want my students to understand science concepts backwards and forwards," said High School science teacher Paul Niedermeyer. "Since a great way to learn something is to teach it to someone else, I'm having my students work with younger children."

Service-learning as an effective teaching and learning methodology continues to grow, as teachers throughout the Romulus school district attend workshops and begin to implement service as part of their curriculum. The district's staff firmly believes that, if students are to gain professional independence rather than continue a pattern of intellectual dependency, the learning environment must include more than just the school.

Business people, agency and organization leaders, and individual members of the community who would be interested in attending a service-learning workshop, or would like more information about service-learning, can call Hurst at 734-941-2170.

# Community Calendar

- St. Aloysius School Hosts Friday Fish-fry Dinners St. Aloysius School will host Friday Fish-fry fund-raisers at the school (located at 37200 Neville Road, behind St. Aloysius Catholic Church) from 4:30 to 7 p.m. every Friday through March 26. The menu for each evening will be the same: fish, potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, dessert, and beverage. Tickets are \$6.50 for adults; \$5.50 for senior citizens; and \$3 for children under 10. For more information, call 734-941-3340.
- St. Paul's Church Hosts Friday Fish-fry Dinners St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church will host Friday Fish-fry fund-raisers at the church (located at Ellis and Craig streets in New Boston) from 4 to 7 p.m. every Friday through April 9. The menu for each evening will feature deep-fried/ baked fish and French fries/scalloped potatoes. Tickets are \$7 for adults; \$5 for children ages five to 11. For more information, call 734-753-9048.
- City/School Meeting The next City/School meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, in the Community Room at Romulus City Hall. The public is invited to attend.
- Banquet Will Honor Zeffle Beanum, Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year – The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you to attend its 19th annual Person of the Year awards banquet to honor Zeffle Beanum, founding member and longtime president of the American Progressive Association, on Friday, March 12, at the DoubleTree Hotel, Romulus. A \$30-per-person donation must be paid at the Chamber office (located at 9191 Wickham, Romulus) no later than March 3. For more information, call Karan Johnson at 734-326-4290.
- Dumplin Valley Trio at New Faith Chapel New Faith Chapel (located at 19498 Middlebelt, Romulus) invites the public to attend two performances by the Dumplin Valley Trio – one on Saturday, March 13, at 7 p.m., and another on Sunday, March 14, at 10:30 a.m.
- Youtheatre Offers Curious George Youtheatre's "Wiggle Club" (for children ages three to six) presentation of Curious George has been set for Saturday, March 27 (11 a.m. and 2 p.m.), and Sunday, March 28 (2 p.m.) at the Music Hall (located at 350 Madison Avenue in Detroit). Individual tickets are \$7 when purchased in advance; \$8 at the door. For more information, call 313-963-2366.
- Boys & Girls Clubs Host Orientation Meetings The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan, Romulus Club, invites prospective members (ages six to 18) to attend one of its new-member orientation meetings, held at Merriman Elementary School (15303 Merriman Road) each Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 11 a.m. The Club's annual membership fee is \$25; proof of age must be provided at the time of registration. Club hours are Tuesday through Friday from after school until 8:30 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 734-941-5839.
- Kentuckians of Michigan Host Weekly Events The Kentuckians of Michigan host the following events each week at Liberty Park (located on Bredow Road in Romulus): Live Bluegrass Music/Buffet (Fridays, 7:30 to 11 p.m.; \$5 admission/additional \$5 for food) and Bluegrass/Country Jam Session (Sundays, 3 to 7 p.m.; \$3 admission/additional \$5 for food). Children welcome! For more information, contact Mary Jo Smiley, Program Director, at 313-381-3382.
- TOPS Meetings TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter #MI1690, Taylor – a nonprofit weight-loss support group – invites you to attend its weekly meetings, which are held at 7:05 p.m. each Thursday at Taylor Church of Nazarene, Eureka Road just west of Telegraph. Dues are \$20/ year + \$1/week (first visit free).
- Big, Beautiful People Welcome! The "More to Love" Social Club for Big, Beautiful People and their admirers welcomes you. Call 313-438-2720.
- Head Start Seeks Applicants Romulus Head Start is recruiting eligible three- and four-year-old children for its free preschool program, which is held at Beverly School. Head Start serves children from low-income families, foster children, and children with disabilities. For more information, or to apply, call 734-334-1812.

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174–0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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# Recreation Programs

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Department during its regular hours.

#### **Adult Summer Softball**

The Romulus Recreation Department is currently accepting registrations for its adult summer softball league. Teams may choose from among the following divisions. (Note: Red = B & C; White = C & D; Blue = D & below.)

Mon./Wed. Men's White Division

- · 8 teams / 21 games / 2 umpires
- · times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- cost: \$575
- "home run" limit: six per team
   Mon./Wed. Women's White Division
- 8 teams / 14 games / 1 umpire
- times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- · cost: \$375
- · "home run" limit: no limit

#### Fri. Men's Red Division (competitive)

- 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- · times: 6:15, 7:30, 8:45, 10:00
- cost: \$475
- · "home run" limit: six per team

#### Fri. Men's Blue Division (recreational)

- · 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:15, 7:25, 8:35, 9:45
- · cost: \$475
- "home run" limit: four per team

#### Sun. Men's White Division

- 10 teams / 18 games / 2 umpires
- times: 12:00, 1:10, 2:20, 3:30, 4:40, 5:50
- cost: \$500
- "home run" limit: five per team (Note: Registration deadline is Friday, April 9. Early sign-up is recommended.)

#### Romulus Little League

Romulus Little League will accept registrations for its 1999 baseball and fast-pitch softball teams at the Romulus Recreation Department office on Saturday, February 27, from 12 to 4 p.m.

Cost is \$35 per individual or \$50 per family. (Note: All players must sell two cases of candy or pay \$40 extra.)

To register youths ages five to 18 for baseball, or ages seven to 18 for softball (player's age as of July 31, 1999), a parent or guardian must bring an original birth certificate and proof of residence, along with the entire registration fee.

For more information, call the Little League office (734-955-6204).

#### **Baseball Clinic for Kids**

Romulus High School's baseball coaching staff will conduct a baseball clinic on Saturday, March 13, in the High School's gymnasium. Students from grades three through five will attend the morning class (scheduled for 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.), while students from grades six through eight will attend the afternoon session (set for 1 to 3 p.m.).

Fundamental skills covered during the clinic will include pitching, catching, hitting, and infield and outfield play.

For more information, or to register, stop in at the Romulus Recreation Department's office, or contact Keith Brothers, City of Romulus Recreation Coordinator/Romulus High School Baseball Coach, at 734-942-6852. Afee of \$5 per student (donation toward the RHS baseball program) must be paid at the time of sign-up.

Deadline for registration is Friday, March 12.

#### **Detroit Pistons**

The Romulus Recreation Department is organizing "Romulus Night at the Palace" - a trip to see the Detroit Pistons play the Atlanta Hawks - on Wednesday, April 7 (during spring break). Highlighting the event will be a chance for two kids (ages six to 17) to act as ball persons during the pregame warm-ups. (Names will be selected in a random drawing.) A cost of \$19 per person includes transportation (bus departs from the Recreation building at 2:30 p.m.; returns at about 11 p.m.), supervision (children under nine years of age must be accompanied by an adult), a 90-minute basketball clinic on the court, and admission to the game. Tickets are limited; register early.

#### Teen Drop-in Basketball

A drop-in basketball program for Romulus teens (proper I.D. required) continues on Thursdays at Wick Elementary. Romulus Middle School students play from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; students from Romulus High play from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$1 per evening.

#### Men's Drop-in Hoops

Adult men who reside in Romulus (proper I.D. required) are invited to play drop-in basketball at Romulus Middle School from 8:30 to 10 p.m. each Tuesday. Cost is \$2 per evening.

#### **Quilters Welcome!**

The Romulus Recreation Department is inviting all quilters and "quilter wannabes" to drop in at the Center on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9:30 p.m. There is no charge to participate in this weekly workshop.

# Wick Elementary Honors Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following Wick Elementary School students who have been chosen as "Students of the Week."

#### Week of September 21

Week of September 28

Levi Adams (Ms. Morgan), Trevor Agee (Ms. Barnes), Tiara Anderson (Ms. Richard), Mary Bailey (Ms. Wood), Ayonna Barden (Ms. Panek), Neko Barker (Ms. West), Shavon Bell (Ms. Kerr), Lindsay Beregsasy (Ms. Fuss), James Blake (Ms. Motyka), Brieanna Boyd (Ms. Wood), DeAndre Brewer (Ms. Otis), Charles Butler (Ms. Redmond), Janie Coursey (Ms. Golka), Tyrell Fields (Ms. Hebert), Kathryn Forth (Ms. Talento), Quintin Gee (Ms. Percy), Alicia Jackson (Ms. Meredith), Ashley Jensen (Ms. Gaglio), Carl Roscoe (Ms. Gable), and Stephanie Rutherford (Ms. Albus).

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Haleigh Bavol (Ms. Hebert), Zachary Beregsasy (Ms. West), Robert Blanton (Ms. Wood), Adrew Boyd (Ms. Barnes), Daisy Brown (Ms. Gable), David Brown (Ms. Motyka), Keith Burrell (Ms. Morgan), Daniel Coffey (Ms. Otis), Bianca Cooper (Ms. Percy), Jamiel Davis (Ms. Wood), Marcus Davis (Ms. Panek), Tom-meka Johnson (Ms. Golka), Lamont Jones (Ms. Talento), Wesley Keely (Ms. Albus), Lindsey Moss (Ms. Kerr), Candace Parsons (Ms. Richard), Michelle Patterson (Ms. Redmond), Janaille Pouncy (Ms. Gaglio), Chastity Weston (Ms. Fuss), and Tianna Young (Ms. Meredith).

#### Week of October 12

James Boler (Ms. Wood), Beatrice Boyd (Ms. West), Dominique Buckley (Ms. Motyka), Taniesha Burkes (Ms. Barnes), Vincent Cheatham (Ms. Albus), Annie Cox (Ms. Gable), Chelsea Damron (Ms. Morgan), Daniel Davis (Ms. Otis), Michael Dunn (Ms. Kerr), Sharelle Dyess (Ms. Panek), DeKarelé Eldridge (Ms. Percey), Jason Elwell (Ms. Fuss), Joseph Fountain (Ms. Wood), Kateland Leong (Ms. Hebert), Adrianne Mayes (Ms. Golka), Quinn Nash (Ms. Talento), Alec Staten (Ms. Gaglio), Danny Strange (Ms. Richard), and Steven Thomas (Ms. Redmond).

#### Week of October 19

Brendon Boyd (Ms. Redmond),

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#### Week of October 26

Loren Adams (Ms. Hebert), Jenny Baker (Ms. Redmond), James Bell (Ms. Fuss), Richard Bennett (Ms. Golka), Benjamin Camilleri (Ms. Wood), Deonte Carter (Ms. West), Robert Coffey (Ms. Barnes), Stacey Coffey (Ms. Richard), Kristen Dubisky (Ms. Motyka), Erica Emerick (Ms. Morgan), Ashley Fountain (Ms. Talento), Carlie Frye (Ms. Otis), Alfonso Garcia (Ms. Gable), Andrew Gelormino (Ms. Panek), Marqeresa Hamby (Ms. Albus), Austin Hicks (Ms. Wood), Clemis Meadows (Ms. Gaglio), Ricky Porter (Ms. Kerr), and Valita Stanton (Ms. Percy).

#### Week of November 2

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#### Week of November 9

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#### Week of January 25

Nathan English (Ms. Richard), Kenny Hall (Ms. Albus), Jeremy Harris (Ms. Meredith), Jonathon Hensley (Ms. Barnes), Martrell Hill (Ms. Percy), Shawnta Himon (Ms. Gable), Willie Johnican (Ms. Wood), Lauren Jones

(Ms. Otis), Kyara Lee (Ms. Talento), Charlene Mabry (Ms. West), Samantha Marcum (Ms. Panek), Valencia Mathews (Ms. Motyka), Javontae Norman (Ms. Wood), Raven Parnell (Ms. Hebert), Demitrus Price (Ms. Morgan), Bianca Robinson (Ms. Hebert), John Sandefur (Ms. Golka), William Schauer (Ms. Redmond), Michelle Thomas (Mr. Gibb-Randall), Jessica Trahey (Ms. Kerr), and Armonti Yharbrough (Ms. Gaglio).

#### Week of February 1

Brianna Ashby (Ms. Percy), Bryan Ashby (Ms. Richard), Kelly Bunyak (Ms. Kerr), Antoine Burrell (Ms. Meredith), DeAndrew Fizer (Ms. Talento), Kenneth Hall (Ms. Albus), William Honto (Ms. Barnes), Willie Johnican (Ms. Wood), Danielle Keller (Ms. Golka), Brandon Lacey (Ms. Otis), Joshua Mahon (Ms. West), Keith Miller (Ms. Motyka), Onika Miller (Ms. Hebert), Brandi Mitchell (Ms. Panek), Savannah Moody (Ms. Gaglio), Javontae Norman (Ms. Wood), Kiarra Sandefur (Ms. Morgan), Elizabeth Spearman (Ms. Gable), Siera Stewart (Mr. Gibb-Randall), and Rachel Thomas (Ms. Redmond).

#### Week of February 8

Brandon Damon (Ms. Talento), Yvette Douglas (Ms. Meredith), Raymond Dubisky (Ms. Kerr), Michael Honto (Ms. Percy), Tanisha Hubbard (Ms. Albus), Devon Irving (Ms. Golka), Jonathan Ketzner (Ms. Wood), Jared Kozma (Ms. Richard), Katrina Little (Ms. Barnes), Whitney Long (Ms. Gaglio), Jalysa McClellan (Ms. West), Carl Moffat (Ms. Panek), Michael Moffat (Ms. Motyka), Stephanie Monroe (Ms. Otis), Antonique Mosley (Ms. Wood), D'John Scott (Mr. Gibb-Randall), Cicely Shaw (Ms. Morgan), Ashley Simmons (Ms. Gable), Tiffany Smith (Ms. Redmond), Chelsea Thomas (Ms. Hebert), and Jacob Zumbro (Ms. Hebert).

#### Week of February 15

Dorcus Bell (Ms. Redmond), Tondra Bland (Ms. Golka), Shamitria Burns (Ms. Richard), Shamika Eldridge (Ms. Meredith), Kandice Emerizy (Ms. Morgan), continued on page 13



# Students Recognized for Academics, Attendance

Congratulations to the following Romulus Community Schools students who made the honor-roll and/or perfectattendance lists during the second marking period of the 1998-1999 school year.

#### **Barth Elementary** HONOR ROLL

(Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.) Fifth Grade - Mrs. Eischer

Ronald Baker, Cachet Berry, Jarran Booker, Mari Clay, Benjamin DeFelice, Justin Ferrell, Bradley Garland, \*Lindsy Green, Amanda Hollis, Sara Hurt, \*Ronald Kreutzer, and Stacey Shreve, Jr. Fifth Grade - Ms. Krstov

Megan Bearman, Bradley Bills, Justin Boughton, Jennifer Caloia, Joshua Carroll, Ronald Carter, Jr., \*Katrell Duncan, Dean Gilbert, Jr., \*Jeannie Hayes, Jennifer Hunter, \*Jeanna Jendritz, Matthew Koester, \*Ashley Moss, Chrisma Nathaniel, Kristine Plank, Anisa Rakic, Patricia Silvey, Robert Wilson, and Skylar Winter.

#### Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Stephen Baker, \*Jazmine Bennett, Kursha Bradford, Jennifer Goss, Paris Hawkins, Shamara Hill-Harris, Benjamin Hohman, Devony Kelbassa, Amanda Khan, Harley McCormack, Ashley Pritula, Eric Rister, Jennifer Shelton, Ashley Sibby, Rebecca Smith, Avery Stephenson, Tiffany Sucharski, Natalie Watt, Dante Williams, and Ryan Witherow. Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Stephanie Bishop, Nichole Burnett, Michael Capelli, Sara Cholette, Anica Coate, Helena Desotell, Michael Dotson, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Kevin Hamilton, Elyse Hooks, Devin Kemp, William Kolar, Julian Mitchell, Anjelique Moss, Christina Rocker, Jessica Shelton, LaKishia Street, and William Williams.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - I (Note: Students recognized in this

portion of "Striving for Excellence" are third- and fourth-graders who received an "A" or "B" in all subjects.)

#### Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Elizabeth Davis, Leanna Pioli, Phillip Vaghy, and Tricia Wanamaker.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky Elizabeth Alvarado, Rachel Arthur, Amelia Britz, Heather Doyle, Stacy Fabinski, Rick Schonscheck, and Devon Walker.

#### Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Sandra Harris, Cordis Hayes, Amanda Kreutzer, Brian Lomas, Alysa Long, Alice Mattson, Marnae Robinson, and John Taylor.

#### Fourth Grade - Mrs. Mientkiewicz

Patrice Barden, Melissa Brewington, Derris Cooley, Carissa Franklin, Tiffany Gray, Leslie Hayes, Orlando Hoults, Joy Jendritz, Stephanie Jensen, Dean Kovacs, Julian Lee, Anne Marie Martin, LaJoya Rush, John Shelly, Britt-

nee Shreve, Stephanie Spoonamore, Jaclyn VanMeer, and Dakota Watson. Mr. Wood

Stephon Archie, Brian Fowler, Jaime Hidalgo, Asia Redmond, Lorenzo Wilson, Natalie Wilson, and Raquel Wooden.

#### STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - II

(Note: Students recognized in this portion of "Striving for Excellence" are third- and fourth-graders who received an "A" or "B" in reading - denoted by a t-ormath-denoted by a t. An asterisk denotes students who received an "A" or "B" in both reading and math.)

#### Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

\*Miranda Gubaci, \*Kourtney Hamilton, \*Adam Hammond, \*Maura Harris, \*Brittney Heil, ‡Raymont Holt, †Calvin Hoppa, †Jesse Kennedy, ‡Jeveon Lee, †Kristin Leigh, †Jeffrey Makowski, †Amelia Pelayo, and \*Heather Sullivan. Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

\*Jordan Bowden, †Christopher Hammar, \*Kaleb Heil, \*Steven Hicks, Jr., \*Stephanie Hildebrandt, \*Whitney Kelsey, †James Mattson III, †Victoria Rak, ‡Carrie Sawdy, †Amanda Stock, †Kevin Thomas, and †Chad Williams.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz \*Christopher Baker, †Kerri Britz, #Courtney Hicks, #Andrew Hildebrandt, ‡Norman Hounshell, ‡Erick Jackson, ‡Joseph Krug, \*Justin Lambert, \*Jassmine Parks, †Ashley Rose, ‡Sunny Singh, \*Jesse Sneath, †Jodi Tores, and tBenjamin Tuttle.

#### Fourth Grade - Mrs. Mientkiewicz

‡Nitisha Adams, ‡Davun Baskerville, \*Walter Cholette, \*Rusty Harris, \*Timothy Johnson, \*Christopher Kellner, \*Thomas Kuderik, \*Marco Little, \*Fred Marciniak III, \*Austin Mitchell, \*Shantrice Tatum, \*Jacob VanAssche, and ‡Anthony Williams.

#### Mr. Wood

†Frank Bazan, \*Antwan Phillips, \*Precious Richardson, and \*Dominique Walker.

#### PERFECT ATTENDANCE Kindergarten "A" - Mrs. Richard

Christopher Adams, Aprell Arthur, Spencer DeFelice, Todd Fields, Robert Hayes, Jacob Heil, James Hollis III, Jesse McGrane, Kelsey Sharrow, Jennifer Sylvester, and Nicole Thompson. Kindergarten "B" - Mrs. Richard

Christopher Britz, Darrin Crawford, Marvin Harris, Jr., Robert Johnson III, Emily Lewkowicz, and Alexander Short. First Grade - Mrs. Raspberry-Fisher

Olincatl Alvarado, Joseph Herbert, Joshua Kennedy, Christopher Reyna, and Brittany Wilkewitz.

#### First Grade - Mrs. Street

Nicole Hammar, Alexis Langston, Malcolm Martin, and Brianna Shreve. Second Grade - Ms. Bales

Emily Doyle, Antoinette Newson, Cheyenne Oakley, David Plank, and Spencer Winter.

#### Second Grade - Mrs. Withey

Kayla Dizney, Katie Koester, Brandyn Martin, Mary Ann Watts, and Ryan Wilkerson.

#### Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Adam Hammond, Maura Harris. Brittney Heil, Raymont Holt, Jr., Jesse Kennedy, Amelia Pelayo, and Monique Walker.

#### Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Amelia Britz, Heather Doyle, Rick Schonscheck, and Amanda Stock.

#### Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Kerri Britz, Amanda Kreutzer, Alysa Long, Marnae Robinson, and Benjamin Tuttle.

#### Fourth Grade - Mrs. Mientkiewicz

Karley Bodis, Melissa Brewington, Walter Cholette, Carissa Franklin, Leslie Hayes, and Julian Lee.

#### Fifth Grade - Mrs. Eischer

Jarran Booker, Benjamin DeFelice, Justin Ferrell, Ronald Kreutzer, Thomas Robbins, and Stacey Shreve, Jr.

#### Fifth Grade - Ms. Krstov

Megan Bearman, Jennifer Caloia, Joshua Carroll, Ronald Carter, Jr., Dean Gilbert, Jr., Jennifer Hunter, Ashley Moss, and Brian Rak, Jr.

#### Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Heather Day, Jennifer Goss, Paris Hawkins, Shamara Hill-Harris, Michael Pioli, and Ryan Witherow

#### Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Michael Capelli, Audra Howard, Vanessa Malloy, Jessica Shelton, and LaKishia Street.

#### Mrs. Sagmani

Gary Hemmingway, Jr.

Frank Bazan and Dominique Walker.

## Cory Elementary

#### HONOR ROLL

(Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.) Third Grade - Ms. Price

Chelsea Earby, Brittany Perry, Thomas Slatinsky, Akara Stoval, and Clara Windom.

#### Third Grade - Ms. Walker

Latiesha Burnett, Melissa Cofield, Patrick Farkas, Leah Lattimore, Marjoria Miskey, Kandice Penn, Johnny Reid, Patricia Reyna, and Kyle Sherwood.

#### Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Sarah Berger, Nicole Carroll, LaRhonda Colvin, Katelyn Crozier, Jeffrey DuFore, \*Aleshia Fawthrop, Rebecca LaBo, Nicholas Lewis, \*Aurielle Mc-Cauley, Renea Sperry, Justin Wasiak, and Theresa Windom.

#### Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

Amber Cruce, \*Yetunde Emmanuel, Rashaunda Graham, Antionice Hearst, Shane Lowery, \*Nicole Klages, Jessica Paré, \*Tiffany Penn, LeJohnna Reid, Justin Sledd, Eric Smith, and \*Mariay Watt.

#### Fifth Grade - Mr. Blackburn

Ryan Barnes, Felicia Graham, and Jessica Sears.

#### Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Lauren Belle, Doloris Garry, Nicole Goodman, Alan Huguley, Brian Rodger, \*Arlennea Savage, and Stephanie Schultz.

#### Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, Megan Crozier, and Anthony Groce.

#### Sixth Grade - Mr. Kessler

Monika Burgess, Monica Cox, Joshua Crozier, Carolyn Moore, Jodi Schultz, Trisha Sugalski, and Brandon Zahornacky.

#### Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Lindsay Allison, \*Tiffany Block, Michael Broadnax, \*Teela Carroll, Kevin Carter, Ebony Coleman, Jeremiah Cross, Kevin DuFore, Lauryn Farkas, Melissa Hubbard, Dijon Piggee, Amanda Shaffer, Daniel Shinn, Adrian Watson, \*Kim Wilson, and Jacqueline Wood.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION Third Grade - Ms. Price

Camille Crawford, Brian Cummings, Chelsea Earby, Christopher McGovern, Lawrence Nastal, Thomas Slatinsky, and Clara Windom.

#### Third Grade - Ms. Walker

Rachia Bohannon, Latiesa Burnett, Christine Celske, Demaris Coleman, Patrick Farkas, Kassie Gray, Roger Groce, Cory Hensley, Cameron Jackson, Alan Jones, Briana King, Leah Lattimore, Douglas Lawrence, Marjorie Miskey, Alecia Morgan, Kandice Penn, Jacob Pykor, Johnny Reid, Patricia Reyna, Aaron Rollin, Darius Ross, Kyle Sherwood, Leroy Talley, and Aissha Watkins.

#### Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Sarah Berger, Nicole Carroll, La-Rhonda Colvin, Katelyn Crozier, Aleshia Fawthrop, Ernest Holton, Rebecca LaBo, Aurielle McCulley, AleSandra Smith, Renea Sperry, Vanessa Villarreal, Justin Wasiak, and Theresa Windom.

#### Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

Maurice Anderson, Roderick Brown, Courtney Chaney, Daniel Cross, Amber Cruce, Yetunde Emmanuel, Rashaunda Graham, Antionice Hearst, Nicole Klages, Shane Lowery, Jessica Paré, Tiffany Penn, Bethany Strain, Heather VanBuren, and Mariay Watt.

#### Fifth Grade - Mr. Blackburn

Chris Avery, Ryan Barnes, Corey Bowman, Tenika Carter, Angelica Crawford, Danna Fennoy, Christina Gavin, Felicia Graham, Ashley Johnson, Kournev Lester, Richard Reaume, Jessica Sears, Erin Strain, Michael Stump, Theresa Williams, and Shannon Wright.

#### Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Lauren Belle, Sammantha Chapman, Tiffany Claiborne, Doloris Garry, Nicole Goodman, Damien Harris, Alan Huguley, Jessica Moore, Michelle Oliver, continued on page 12

#### Romulus Students Recognized for Superior Academics, Perfect Attendance

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Brian Rodger, Arlennea Savage, Stephanie Schultz, and Sarah Smith.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Kimberly Adams, Wayne Barlow, Alan Boiler, Chanissa Burnett, Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, Elvis Celske, Megan Crozier, Steven Curry, Malerie Darden, Allison Dixon, Angel Ford, Carl Gillespie, Anthony Glimps, Anthony Groce, Rashonda Parker, Anne Ross, Khyla Ross, Thomas Rutherford, Nathan Samuels, Jake Shaffer, Antonia Walker, Monica Wells, and Sherika Wester.

#### Sixth Grade - Mr. Kessler

Monika Burgess, Monica Cox, Stacey Cribbs, Derrick Dugan, and Carolyn Moore.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Chris Adams, Lindsay Allison, Tiffany Block, Michael Broadnax, Matthew Carr, Teela Carroll, Kevin Carter, Ebony Coleman, Ryan Cordle, Jeremiah Cross, Joey Ditsch, Kevin DuFore, Lauryn Farkas, Brandon Finley, Lloyd Fudge, Jason Gibson, Wayne Gilbert, Anitra Glimps, Chris Green, Keith Holman, Melissa Hubbard, Precious Jewell, Shonta Morgan, Dijon Piggee, Amanda Shaffer, Danny Shinn, Monique Solomon, Kim Tyra, Amanda Wasiak, Adrian Watson, Kimberly Wilson, and Jacqueline Wood.

# PERFECT ATTENDANCE Kindergarten "A" – Ms. McCabe

Dustin Brown, Kyra Crawford, Brittany Francis, and Michael Householder. Kindergarten "B" – Ms. McCabe

Michael Henich, Kelsey Pare, Dylan Parrot, Les'Cia Watkins, and Jasmine White.

First Grade - Ms. Barrs

Cierra Joshua, Aaron Ladach, Juwan Piggee, and Amber Wood. First Grade – Ms. Cristini

Kierstyn Slatinsky.

First Grade - Ms. Watson

Ashleigh Cofield, Jasmine Harris, Amber Sears, and Corey Sledd.

Second Grade - Ms. Baluk

Meriah Chapman and Amanda Zavitz.

Second Grade - Ms. Giles

Christine Amis, Ryan Bassett, and Megan Watson.

Second Grade - Ms. Radovic

Amanda Brown, Jessica Cronk, Melissa DuFore, Kayla Harris, Ronald Kersey, and Nigerrea Simpson.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

Jasmine Brown, Chelsea Earby, Rebecca Hall, Kallie Harris, Lawrence Nastal, Evans Paillere, Brittany Perry, Ryan Samuels, and Clara Windom.

Third Grade - Ms. Walker

Calvin Crawford, Patrick Farkas, Cameron Jackson, Marjorie Miskey, Johnny Reid, and Aaron Rollin. Fourth Grade – Ms. Pluff

Sarah Berger, Nicole Carroll, La-Rhonda Colvin, Marissa Cronk, Jeffrey DuFore, Nicholas Lewis, Aurielle Mc-Cauley, and Dondre Tate.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

Angelica Cummings, Antionice Hearst, Nicole Klages, Shane Lowery, Tiffany Penn, and LeJohnna Reid.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Blackburn Richard Reaume.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Lauren Belle, Tiffany Claiborne, Doloris Garry, Cory Haynes, Dustin Riordan, Arlennea Savage, and LeRodd Williams.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Alan Boiler, Ayibatari Burutolu, Nathan Samuels, and Antonia Walker. Sixth Grade – Mr. Smith

Michael Broadnax, Lauryn Farkas, Keith Holman, Melissa Hubbard, Dijon Piggee, Amanda Shaffer, Monique Solomon, and Kimberly Wilson.

# Wick Elementary HONOR ROLL

(Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.)

Third Grade – Mrs. Albus

Dean Burcroff, \*Ashley Chandler, \*Carmen Collie, Jonathan Denys, \*Shaniya Dye, Tanisha Hubbard, Wesley Keely, Celeste Moody, \*Shauna Pitman, \*Justin Price, Stephanie Rutherford, \*Ryan Schulz, and Jessica Wallace.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gable

Antoine Baines, \*Heather Bavol, Christopher Floyd, Alfonso Garcia, Randy Hahn, Larry Home, Brian Householder, \*Ashley Hylton, \*Lawrence Jones, Trisha Lesinski, \*Alicia Matatall, Kiara Miller, \*Ashley Simmons, and Elizabeth Spearman.

Third Grade - Mrs. Motyka

Amanda Bond, Marwin Boyd, Tiffani Cannon, Kristen Dubisky, Steven Hawes, Nicole Love, Valencia Matthews, Darius Osborne, \*Sam Pizzo, and Matthew Wagle.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Barnes

\*Shon Aggison, Andrew Boyd, Taniesha Burkes, Joshua Dew, \*Jennifer Dick, \*Jessica Dick, Cortez Dyess, Demaryst Garwood, Tatiana Gray, Quintin Gregory, Jonathon Hensley, Darius Price, \*Richard Remelius, Dwight Sadler, Alex Sampson, and Kandice Wells. Fourth Grade – Mrs. Percy

Brianna Ashby, Brian Damon, Dekarelle Eldridge, Jaclyn Evanski, Carrie Hampton, Michael Honto, Ashly Montrose, Cherica Peoples, Ashley Rodgers, Monay Smith, Valita Stanton, Shakita Wilson, Brittany Wright, and Felicia Yharbrough.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Gibb-Randall

James Bell, Lindsay Beregsasy, James Blanton, Merrika Brown, Darryl Carroll, Jason Elwell, Ashley Horyn, Travis Parker, Robert Staffery, Siera Stewart, Michelle Thomas, and Lola Wynn.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Golka

Richard Bennett, Samantha Elder,

Dawan Jackson, Tom-meka Johnson, Danielle Keller, Corey Koch, Erica Linton, \*Monet McCroan, Ralonda Peammon, \*Jonathan Rafalski, John Sandefur, and Brian Thiede.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Meredith

Antoine Burrell and Alicia Jackson.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Kerr

\*Kristen Atchley, Shavon Bell, David Coyne, James Deline, Scott Denys, Mia Drane, Myleah Jones, Andrea Redding, \*Philip Roscoe, Shauntya Simon, \*Jamie Suiter, \*Jessica Trahey, and Sarah Ward.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

\*Brenden Boyd, Crystal Hahn, \*Kyerra Naugles, Michelle Patterson, and Jeremy Thomason.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Richard

LaToya Allen, Tiara Anderson, Horace Baines, Justin Chapman, Crystal Gandollo, Jared Kozma, Candace Parsons, \*Shawn Perkins, \*Paulette Stanford, \*Matt Steffani, and Lance Vaughn. PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten - Mrs. Hebert (M-W)

Alexandria Harrington and Derek Humphrey.

Kindergarten - Mrs. Hebert (T-Th)

Tyrell Fields, Jumaé Harville, Shealyn Melville, Erica Ross, Errol Sims, and Thomas Wright.

Kindergarten - Mrs. Wood (M-W)

Brienna Boyd, Antonique Mosley, and Ashley Richardson.

Kindergarten - Mrs. Wood (T-Th)
Amanda Wagle and Bre'ana West.

First Grade - Ms. Gaglio Savannah Moody.

First Grade - Mrs. Panek

Danielle Graves, Travis Gregg, Brandon Love, Carl Moffat, Stuart Nairemore, and Chelsey Wojciechowski.

First Grade - Mrs. West

Neko Barker, Deonte Carter, Sheldon Gage, Joshua Mahon, Richard Vaughn, and Ashley Wagle.

Second Grade - Mrs. Morgan

Keith Burrell, Krystal Burrell, and Brandon McCraight.

Second Grade - Mrs. Otis

Amber Elred, Stephanie Monroe, and Nicole Sattler.

Second Grade - Mrs. Talento Asia Shareef.

Third Grade - Mrs. Albus

Carmen Collie, Jonathan Denys, Tanisha Hubbard, Diana Milligan, Stephanie Rutherford, and Ryan Schulz.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gable
Antoine Baines, Darius Graves,
Diane Johnson, and Carl Roscoe.

Third Grade - Mrs. Motyka

Marwin Boyd, Tiffani Cannon, Steven Hawes, Valencia Matthews, Keith Miller, Michael Moffat, and Sam Pizzo.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Barnes

Joshua Dew, Jennifer Dick, Jessica Dick, Cortez Dyess, Demaryst Garwood, Tatiana Gray, Jonathon Hensley, William Honto, Dwight Sadler, Alex Sampson, and Kandice Wells.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Percy

Carrie Hampton, Michael Honto, Adrian Pitts, and Brittany Wright. Fifth Grade - Mr. Gibb-Randall

Merrika Brown, Jason Elwell, Brittany Hampton, Ashley Horyn, Jeremiah Warren, and Chastity Weston.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Golka
Tondra Bland, Brittni Brown, Brandon Burkett, Samantha Elder, Octavia
Hester, Dawan Jackson, John Sandefur,

Sixth Grade - Ms. Kerr

and Brian Thiede.

Shavon Bell, Mario Clark, Scott Denys, Anthony Price, Shauntya Simon, Sam Tilmon, and Jessica Trahey.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Richard

LaToya Allen, Horace Baines, Jared
Kozma, Shawn Perkins, Matt Steffani,
and Lance Vaughn.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

Joshua Coffey, Robbie Hambright, Natalie Mitchell, Kyerra Naughles, and Brandon Patrick.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Meredith
Alicia Jackson.

Dear Jean,
Hope you're
feeling better soon.
I love you.
Bill





## Wick Students of the Week

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Merissa Gordon (Ms. Talento), Brian Householder (Ms. Gable), Alanna Hixon (Ms. Hebert), Michael Legion (Ms. Wood), Kathleen Marcum (Ms. Barnes), Jason Moore (Ms. West), Stuart Nairemore (Ms. Panek), Shelby Nugent (Ms. Otis), Carmen Plank (Ms. Wood), Ricky Porter (Ms. Kerr), Shauree Reed (Ms. Gaglio), Velon Willis (Mr. Gibb-Randall), and Felicia Yharbrough (Ms. Percy). Week of February 22

Dean Burcroff (Ms. Albus), Dakota Connolly (Ms. Gaglio), Jonathon Cordher (Ms. Talento), DeShar Dinkins (Ms.

Hebert), Marissa Emerizy (Ms. Gable), Jesse Eves (Mr. Gibb-Randall), Kaci Hall (Ms. Hebert), Alicia Jackson (Ms. (Ms. Motyka), Brandon Patrick (Ms. Andrew Phillips (Ms. West), Chelsea Price (Ms. Panek), Ashley Richardson (Ms. Wood), Jamal Sam (Ms. Percy). Shauntya Simon (Ms. Kerr), Dwayne Wood (Ms. Golka), and Shantell Wynn (Ms. Richard)

Congratulations to all.

Meredith), Aaron Matatall (Ms. Barnes), Jeffrey McClellan (Ms. Wood), Brandon McCraight (Ms. Morgan), Krystal Nault Redmond), Chantal Payne (Ms. Otis),

ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

## **REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 8, 1999**

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, February 8, 1999, was called to order by President Howard J. Kesner at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Dick absent (excused). Administrators Bedell and La Monica were absent (excused).

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kesner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

2/99/1 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

2/99/2 Moved by Webb supported by Lenossi to approve the Minutes of January 25, 1999, as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

None.

Bills for Payment

Moved by Lambert supported by Lenossi to approve the Bills for Payment 2/99/3 as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Science K-12 Update

Mesdames Phyllis Adkins and Pat Adams addressed the Board on goals and activities regarding science education in the elementary schools for the 1998-99 school year. Mr. Daryl Kenyon and Mesdames Powers and Jensen updated the Board of Education on science education for the junior and senior high schools for the 1998-99 school year. All presenters responded to questions posed by members of the Board.

Thank You - General Motors

2/99/4 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and communicate a "thank you" to General Motors Power Train for the robotics program outlined in the attached memo. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried. Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience addressed the Board of Education regarding their concerns relating to the operation of the School District.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board of Education: 1) Finance Committee Minutes; 2) Parent Transportation Letter; 3) Lobbyist Info on Newly Appointed Rep. of the Education Committee; and 4) "Thank You" - Adult Education Program.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Ken Berlinn stated that he had talked to Representative Raymond Basham regarding the takeover of Detroit Public Schools. He also reminded the Board of the Wayne County School Board Association's meeting and the Michigan Legislative Meeting in Lansing on March 9, 1999.

Mr. Michael Woods commented on the transportation letter that we had received. Mrs. Eva Webb suggested that we invite Representative Basham and Senator Loren

Bennett to address the Board of Education on issues that are a concern to us.

Mrs. Betty Lenossi asked if we have scheduled any negotiation meetings with the teachers

**Executive Session** 

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Berlinn supported by Webb that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 2/99/5 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Michael D. Woods, Secretary Romulus Board of Education

# **New Satellite Classes Bring** Increased Access to Adult Ed



Adult Education student Rhonda Hudson is surrounded by the instructional support of teachers Maggie Hoggard (left) and Beth Carlson (right).

A plan endorsed by the Romulus Board of Education last spring has blossomed into an increase in school-community partnerships this year, allowing the Romulus/Van Buren Adult Education Program (which is part of the Romulus Community Education Department) to offer "satellite" classes for General Education Diploma (GED) preparation and high-school completion at various locations.

The number of sites offering classes has been expanded to include:

- the Burton Center (Romulus Head Start site, located in the old Beverly School),
- the Romulus Public Library,
- the Head Start site in Taylor, and
- the Sumpter Township Community Center.

'Our goal," said Sharman Spieser, Adult Education Coordinator, "is to reduce or eliminate obstacles which prevent adults from returning to school and achieving their education goals."

#### Classes at Burton Center

Not long ago, Spieser joined Sue Wannamaker, Romulus Head Start site leader, to develop a written "Agreement of Collaboration" with the following specifications.

- Head Start provides classroom space and free child care to Head Start parents attending classes.
- If parents must pay tuition because they aren't old enough to qualify for free classes, the Head Start "Parent Development Fund" covers those costs.
- Adult Education provides teachers, books, and other supplies.
- Adult Education works closely with Head Start to provide enrollment information and on-site registration for Head Start families.

The partnership also offers community members a number of other unexpected bonuses, including access to different resources such as job postings, family-resource pamphlets, and various children's materials.

"The satellite classes have a great impact on the community, in terms of

people who might not otherwise be able to take an Adult Education class because of transportation problems," said Bill Raglin, who teaches GED preparation at Burton Center. "Many of the students at the Burton Center live right in the neighborhood."

#### Classes at the Library

Diane Hazen, Director of the Romulus Public Library, has been very supportive of the new satellite classes in her building.

"She takes time to point out special sections of the Library which might be helpful to GED students," said Spieser. "In addition, she distributes flyers and brochures, and encourages other community organizations to host adult education classes."

Raglin, who also teaches a GED preparation at the Library, spoke of the benefits of holding classes there.

"It's like a shopping center," he explained. "A person comes to the Library for one thing, sees the class, and that opens an opportunity for enrollment."

Raglin said that his students also appreciate the Library's quiet, studious atmosphere.

#### Classes in Taylor

This month - at the request of Yvette Komer, administrator for the Head Start program in Taylor - another satellite GED preparation class began in Taylor. Komer and Spieser scheduled the class so that Head Start parents can ride the bus to and from class along with their children.

#### For More Information

According to Spieser, the Adult Education office will begin accepting registrations for the new term of GED preparation classes (set to begin April 19) at the end of March. She also noted that, although the next semester of highschool completion classes will not begin until the fall, potential students are welcome to come in now to review their credit status and plan their schedule in

For more information about Adult Education programs, please call Spieser at 734-941-0610. Q

# Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, and Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.) Free Tax Service for Seniors

Now through April 14, volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be available (by appointment only) at the Romulus Senior Center each Wednesday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. to assist low- and moderate-income Romulus seniors with the preparation of their Federal and State 1040 forms, as well as those for homestead property-tax, home-heating, and prescription credits.

A list of materials which must be brought to the appointment will be provided at the time of registration.

Club #1 Wants You!

Club #1, which meets at the Romulus Senior Center each Tuesday at 11 a.m., has scheduled the following events for next month:

- March 2 (meeting; light lunch; and games).
- March 9 (bake sale; country store; and bag lunch),
- March 16 (lunch at Jonathon's; no meeting),
- March 23 (meeting; bag lunch; and games), and
- March 30 (Easter dinner and games, if 25 people sign up at \$4.50 each).

New members are always welcome. St. Patrick's Day Bash

Inkeeping with the St. Patrick's Day holiday, the Romulus Senior Center's next luncheon – set for 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 13 – will feature a traditional Irish menu of corned beef and cabbage. Other highlights of the event will include a guest speaker and a tai-chi demonstration. Cost is \$5. Sign up at the Center before March 10.

**Mystery Trip** 

"All I'm going to say is that this trip will be so interesting, you'll be sorry if you miss it," said Senior Center Coordinator Linda Norman, who was taking about a special "mystery trip" which will depart from the Center at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, March 26.

A\$3fee covers the cost of transportation only; lunch, shopping, etc., will be extra. Early sign-up is recommended, since there will be space for only 13 lucky passengers.

#### **Native American Powwow**

Local seniors interested in learning more about Native Americans and their culture won't want to miss the Center's trip to Ann Arbor on Saturday, March 27, for this year's powwow. Costs will include \$5 for transportation/parking, \$6 admission for seniors (\$8 for all other adults), and the cost of food. Sign up at the Center.

#### Dr. Dolittle

This month's \$1 movie at the Senior Center – *Dr. Dolittle*, starring Eddie Murphy – will be shown on the Center's big-screen TV at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 22. As always, refreshments will be served.

"Ask the Attorney"

Local attorney Steve Robinson's monthly "Ask the Attorney" program – a free consultation service for Romulus senior citizens – has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Romulus Senior Center. Both walk-ins (36515 Bibbins) and callins (942-6852) are welcome.

Crime Watch

Officer Joe Richardson of the Romulus Police Department will be on hand at the Senior Center at 9 a.m. on Thursday, March 25, for the Center's monthly Crime Watch program. As always, safety tips and other crucial information will be discussed.

#### Haircuts

Senior citizens can come into the Romulus Senior Center for \$5 haircuts on the second Monday of each month beginning at 10:30 a.m. (Next date: March 8.) Walk-ins are welcome, but, for your own convenience, the Center strongly recommends calling ahead for an appointment. (Note: Since "shampoo" facilities are not available, seniors must wash their hair before coming in.) Walking Club

Local seniors are invited to meet at the Center every Wednesday at 9 a.m. to ride the "senior van" over to Wayne County Community College's Haggerty Road campus for some safe, indoor walking (at your own pace) during the winter months.

#### Exercise/Toning

The Senior Center invites you to drop in at any of its free toning/stretching/aerobic exercise classes, which are held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

The Center recommends that all participants wear comfortable clothing, and urges anyone unused to physical exertion to consult a physician before beginning. 

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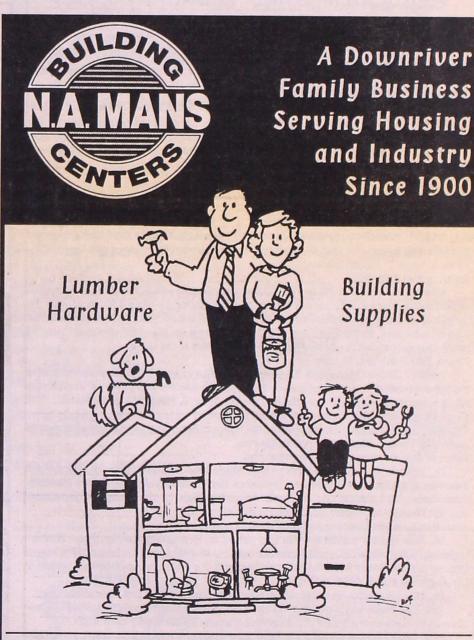
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# Seniors Splurge on Fat Tuesday





Among those who came to the Senior Center on February 16 for paczkis and coffee were (from left) JoAnn Hunter and VI Willoughby.



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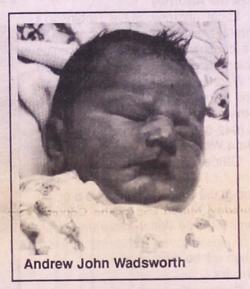
#### **Drew Leininger**

Jay and Tracy Leininger of New Boston, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their new son, Drew Scott Leininger.

Born in Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center (Dearborn, MI) at 8:45 a.m. on Monday, January 18, 1999, Drew weighed in at seven pounds, two ounces, and measured 20 inches.

Especially excited about the new arrival was his big sister, Savannah.

Drew's maternal grandparents are Terry and Gloria Holtschlag (Romulus, MI); Kyoko Higa (Romulus, MI) and Jerry and Delia Leininger (Defiance, OH) are his paternal grandparents.





#### Andrew Wadsworth

Proudly announcing the birth of their new son, Andrew John Wadsworth, are John and Julie Wadsworth of Romulus, Michigan.

Andrew was born in Providence Hospital (Southfield, MI) at 4:25 a.m. on Friday, January 22, 1999, weighing in at nine pounds, 15 ounces, and measuring 22<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches.

Among those giving the new arrival a warm welcome were his big sister, Sarah (age two); his paternal grandparents, Bill and Jean Wadsworth, and his maternal grandparents, Richard and Jean Clayton (Gibraltar, MI).

# **Obituaries**

#### Shirley H. Kreyger

Shirley H. (Poet) Kreyger of Huron Township, Michigan, died on Wednesday, February 10, 1999. She was 73 years old.

The native of Romulus, Michigan, was born on October 10, 1925.

She is survived by two sons, Kevin A. (Newport, MI) and Keith A. Kreyger (Romulus, MI); one daughter, Mrs. James (Kimberly) Balowski (Hampstead, NC); one sister, Mrs. Jeanette McCauley (Grosse Ile, MI); one stepsis-

ter, Mrs. Lloyd (Cheryl) Manor (Monroe, MI); and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Marvin A. Kreyger, who died October 25, 1992.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, February 13, at St. Stephen Catholic Church (New Boston, MI), with Father Alexander Wytrwal officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan.

#### Golden Smith, Jr.

Golden Smith, Jr., of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, February 23, 1999. He was 73 years old.

Golden had been employed at the Ford Motor Company's Ypsilanti plant before his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Ernestine Smith; five children, Woody (Elena), Jack (Elva), Morris Lee, Nancy, and Brenda Smith; three siblings, Eugene (Lennie) Smith, Billy (Mary) Smith, and Phyllis (Darryl) Kapp; four grandchildren, Jason (Shelly), Justin, Evan, and Aaron Smith; and his mother-in-law, Mae Marshall.

A funeral service will be held at Howe-Peterson Funeral Home (Taylor, MI) at 1 p.m. on Friday, February 26.

Burial will be at Romulus Memorial Cemetery (Romulus, MI).

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